

EDDIE SICKING LIVES UP TO HIS NAME AGAINST BRAVES AT BAT AND ON COACHING LINES

PHILS HAVE GREAT CHANCE TO CLIMB IN CELLAR TODAY

With Box of Shoe Polish as Prize, Coombsmen Can Drop to Last Place and Shine at Foot. Poor Coaching Hurts

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AFTER nine innings of heroic work our Phils managed to lose a ball game to the Braves, and tightened the race for eighth place in the National League. Today the homefolks have one foot in the cellar and will be totally submerged if some high-class fooling is done.

Our Phils have captured the brown derby, hands down. They have won all but fourteen of the last fifteen games played and established records and everything. Today the big prize will be a box of shoe polish, which will be presented to the club scoring the least number of runs and winning the least number of games in the double header.

Although Richard Rudolph, the bald eagle from the Bronx, twirled his usual intelligent ball game and demonstrated time and again the triumph of mind over matter, the local blacksliders should have copped. Exceedingly bum coaching on the base lines in the seventh, which held Luders on third instead of sending him home with what would have been the tying score, gobbled up one part of the act and other errors of omission worked swell for the visitors.

Sicking lived up to his name when he tried to stop Cravath at third in the ninth when he scored from second on Porree's single and afterward showed his mind was in New York or wherever the Giants were playing, when he allowed himself to be called out on strikes for the last putout in the ninth. Eddie will not be with us very long.

It was a shame to see the hometown boys bite the dust, but it couldn't be helped. Rudolph was dishing up his tantalizing twisters, which looked as big as a house until the batter tried to connect. He outgassed the mighty sluggers, and although the Phils erred, was entitled to all the honor and glory.

Lee Magee covered much territory. Lee Magee is wandering again. After seeing service on six major-league teams he has joined the seventh—by request—and from now until further notice will be the regular second baseman for the Chicago Cubs.

Brooklyn and New York were the only clubs winning a series from the westeners.

Plenty of conflicting dope from camps. CONFLICTING dope continues to flow out of Toledo, and close followers selves standing on one ear, not knowing which way to turn.

Then, when one has made up his mind to hook the family jewels and mortgage the old homestead to bet on big Jess, the following story comes from the Willard camp:

There you have the low down from both camps. Perhaps it is propaganda to affect the betting, but anyway, how can a guy drop out anything after reading that sort of stuff?

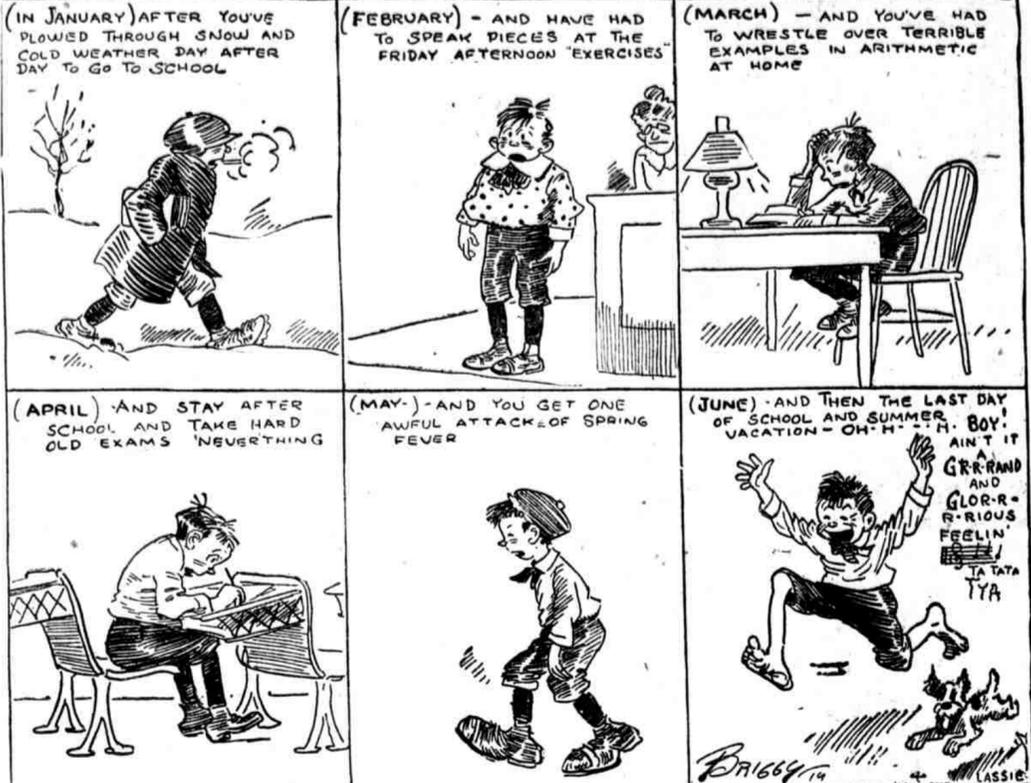
Yanks Threaten Giants' Home-Run Record. AT THE expense of our lovely A's, the New York Americans are liable as a not to beat out the Giants for circuit-clout laurels.

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Miller Huggins' men pass the Giants' home-run mark. Wood Platt Shatters Tradition. THE startling, strange and unusual happened last Saturday when J. Wood Platt copped the Bala golf tournament.

Platt is twenty-one years old and started to play in tournaments in 1916. He has been in twelve and six have been victories. He will play at Philadelphia tomorrow, and all he has to do is overcome the Bala hoodoo.

AIN'T IT A GRAND AND GLORIOUS FEELIN'?



DOPE WENT WRONG ON RED SOX, UNBEATABLE ON FLORIDIAN MOORS

Now Only Miracle Can Save Boston Team That Had Flawless Defense, Crashing Attack and Winning Pitching in Southern Camp

IN THE SPOTLIGHT—By GRANTLAND RICE Copyright, 1919. All rights reserved. Concerning Certain Horses

They had known the drift of the furrow, the yielding touch of the loam; They had carried the plow through the wind and sun that came from the hills of home.

And then they caught the earthquake, and then they knew the flood, Hauling the endless caissons on through the endless mud; Where the great shells roared around them, scattering blood and flame, But they knew in their souls that the guns must move and they were part of the game.

And so they left the plowshare for the battery's crushing lead, The steady files and the hazier files, over the gutted road; File by file in the column's drift, slogging one by one they fell, Hauling chow and guns for the men, into the jaws of hell.

And now they are back to the furrow, the yielding touch of the loam; Back to the peace and quiet sun they knew in the ways of home, The ancient barn and the waiting stall and the white road leading down To the dusty square and the fountain there in the heart of a sleepy town.

And I wonder if in their dreaming they ever tread once more The road that leads by Montfaucon or battered Avioncourt; Or hear the great shells crashing near as they knew in other days, Or drop the caissons through the mud of well-remembered days!

No, You Can't WHO was it said you can rarely ever tell? Whoever it was gave vent to a complete mouthful.

When we saw the Boston Red Sox tearing the Giants apart over the Florida sand moors they looked to be one of the great ball clubs of the decade—a club that either would win or be up there within easy reach. Their defense was flawless, their pitching was replete with winning stuff and they could hit.

Now only a near-miracle will ever push them up past the White Sox, Indians and Yanks. Even back around April or early May Connie Mack said one afternoon their pitching staff looked too formidable to be overthrown. Yet the well-known and justly celebrated standing of the clubs shows what this early dope was worth.

What's the trouble? THE trouble, as far as we can make it out, is that you never can tell. The time to hedge in this game is when you've picked a cinch.

The Ideal Series OUR unimportant idea of an ideal series would be an October crash between Cleveland and Cincinnati.

These two Buckeye citadels never have yet produced a flag winner, and yet both have always been great ball towns. At these two cities ever met the flying fur would obscure nine-tenths of the Ohio landscape.

Both have the best ball clubs this summer they ever have entered in the pennant jamboree. To see the Reds up there around waning June is a startling sight.

AND with Pat Moran at the mashhead they are not going to be very far away as the finish arrives. Aye, McGregor The melancholy days are near That set the tongue to baring.

When those who yearn to go their beer Will take it out in yearning. THERE are a number of things in this bizarre universe that are not too easy to put over. One of them is to get a Philadelphia fan to discuss baseball.

IT SEEMS to be a matter of burning debate as to whether Willard's long left will stop Dempsey's rush or whether Willard's jawbone will stop Dempsey's right. As soon as we can unravel this knotty problem we hope to take up the next important point, which is—(to be continued).

ONE more week and the nineteenth hole will be turned into a water hazard. Old Coleridge knew the answer as he scribbled down in ink, "Water, water everywhere, nor any drop to drink."

AS QUEER as this world gets to be at times who would have ever thought that Willard's sparring partners would come out boldly and pick Willard to win? BINGLES AND BUNGLES

"Well," said the guy with his brown derby, "I know why the Phils have been losing so much lately. They've had more home runs than the other clubs."

Eddie Clotte weakened in the eighth after allowing only one hit, and the Indians grabbed a 3-2 win. Garry Cranth was lucky enough to get a scratch hit off Rudolph Govey. He had hit in seven consecutive games.

The Phils may not have a lot of ambition, but you can't call them Baker's loafers. The Red Sox must think the world's championship is in last place, they were the only club of a sweet 15-3 beating at the hands of the Senators.

The Yankees don't have to worry about being slow on the bases as long as they hit home runs. They had only five against the A's. Bob Aloukey has chalked up eight straight wins. Robert has been very effective against the A's since he was eased from Mack's rotation.

Dick Rudolph had nothing on the ball. If you interview Eddie Sicking and Nig Clarke, all they did was manhandle out who two on in the ninth and one run needed to tie the statistic. The Tigers showered Shocker with base hits time.

Another Win for Voshell New York, June 24.—Howard Voshell, the new metropolitan and Bronx county tennis champion, continued his steady progress in the Long Island title tourney at the Kings County Club yesterday, winning the only four round match he has won since from R. N. Haller in straight sets, 6-1, 6-2.

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Big Day for Young Wisnominia A. A. easily defeated Frankford, 12 to 9, completely outclassing their old rivals. The pitching of James, who struck out ten, allowing only two hits until the ninth, featured. Young had two triples and a single.

Haverford Cricketers in Form Montreal, Que., June 24.—In a remarkable two-inning match the Haverford College cricket defeated the University Club here yesterday by the score of 191 to 160.

NATIONAL LEAGUE PARK DOUBLE HEADER Phillies vs. Boston "Braves" FIRST GAME AT 7:15 P. M. Seats at Gimble's and Spalding's

Summer Boxing Course \$15 Boxing Tournament TONIGHT Phila. Jack O'Brien's 8, E. Cor. 18th and Chestnut Sts.

CAMBRIDGE OPEN-AIR ARENA - Morris Ferry, Mass.—Fri. Eve. 8 Gamble's FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 27th JOHN'S WRESTLING UNIVERSITY CLUB FOUR OTHER CRACKERJACK BOUTS Club.

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RICKARD MAY HAVE TO REFEREE BOUT

Willard Holding Out for Tex. and Promoter May Be Forced to Officiate

BIRTHDAY FOR DEMPSEY Toledo, O., June 24.—Tex Rickard may be forced into the ring July 4 to referee the championship bout between Jess Willard and Jack Dempsey, reports here today indicated.

It was said Willard is holding out for Rickard. In order, therefore, to save his bout and the thousands of dollars paid for tickets, it was believed, Tex might agree to officiate, although he has stated several times that he would refuse.

An effort was being made to have Willard agree to officiate, however, is usually unchangeable in his decisions. Rickard would be acceptable to Dempsey and Jack Kearns, his manager.

Rickard was forced to referee the bout nine years ago between Jim Jeffries and Jack Johnson at Reno, which he promoted. He entered the ring after the principals had failed to reach an agreement. The same situation may come up here.

Dempsey's Birthday Today is Jack Dempsey's twenty-fourth birthday, but if he continues the stunts he has been pulling around his training quarters it will be his sparring partners, and not himself, who will receive the traditional spankings.

Yesterday Dempsey delivered himself of a couple of well-chosen left hooks, both of which landed on the jaw of Jess Willard, dusky duplicate of Jess Willard. Bill took a snooze in the ring. After that affair Dempsey took on the Jamaica Kid for a pair of rounds and the kid had the time of his life escaping some rough treatment.

Can't "Pull" Punch Criticism of Dempsey's defense, which has been so free, evidently spurred him to greater efforts, and he used his gloves yesterday with telling effect.

"It's hard for me to hold a punch with my sparring partners," he said. "I see and I ought to get hit about and I may feel sorry afterward. There is no kidding about my sparring. It's meant for just what it does. I don't ask my partners to hold back anything and I am holding back nothing myself. If I should happen to get cracked hard enough to floor me it's all in the day's work. I wouldn't worry about it if it did happen. I'm training to whip Jess Willard, and not for the public. I believe I can whip Jess Willard."

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"Bill looks kind of natural kissing the canvas," remarked Sam. "I don't think that Dempsey has a chance at all. Will ought to get hit about and he will win by a knockout and whenever he wants to. I am quite sure of that. Dempsey misses too much and he leaves himself wide open for a man like Mr. Willard."

That the consensus of opinion here is that it will be a pretty even affair is shown by the lagging in the betting. Negotiations at 10 to 7 are pretty slow. Dejection set in with the Dempsey backers yesterday. Today the Willard backers were serious when Bill Tate sat down to meditate. Betting on rounds started today, but it is lagging.

Jack Heinen Quits Jack Heinen, who boxed a while with Willard, stepped in at the Dempsey camp to take a farewell look at William Harrison before shaking the dust of Toledo from his feet. Jack is convinced that Willard has some power to his punches.

"I'd like to stay and work out the contract," said Jack, "but I understand that a broken neck is a hard matter to repair. If I remained much longer I'd have had a broken neck."

Willard-Dempsey Gate May Reach Million Mark

Toledo, June 24.—Tex Rickard, promoter of the Fourth of July match, announces that the seat sale has reached \$400,000, but that the arena, according to plans now completed, would have a seating capacity to accommodate enough spectators to swell the total gate receipts to \$1,000,000.

There are \$300,000 worth of seats unsold, including all prices," Rickard said.

THREE CHI STARS ON WESTERN TENNIS TEAM

Chicago, June 24.—Samuel T. Hardy, A. L. Green, Jr., and Ralph H. Burdick of Chicago, have been chosen for the western tennis team which is to oppose the East in the annual sectional team championships of the country at Cincinnati on July 10, it was announced today.

They will be team mates of William M. Johnston, Axel Graven and Robert Kinsey, California stars.

The pick of the East expected to line up on the hard courts against the Chicago-California combination includes W. T. Tilden, Jr., Philadelphia; Vincent Richards, Youkers, N. Y.; Ichiji Kumagae, formerly of Japan and now of New York; S. H. Voshell, New York, and Wallace Johnson, Philadelphia.

Pony Show Tomorrow

Hempstead, L. I., June 24.—There will probably be more than 300 entries in the pony show at Meadowbrook tomorrow. It will be an all-day affair.

AMATEUR BASEBALL NOTES

Brookwood Professionals have June 28 and July 4 (a. m. and p. m.) open for any 12 teams paying a guarantee. J. W. McBride, 3046 North Twenty-third street.

The Auburn A. C., a semipro traveling team, has June 28 and July 4 open. A. Landis, 1037 West Ardmore avenue.

Columbia C. C. would like to hear from all first-class traveling teams, especially Wildwood, Cape May and Melrose, for July 4, 12, 19, 26, 29 and 30. J. W. McBride, 3046 North Twenty-third street.

The Blue Bell A. C., a second-class traveling team, has July 4 (a. m. and p. m.) open for teams paying a guarantee. J. W. McBride, 3046 North Twenty-third street.

Darby Professionals have July 4 (a. m. and p. m.) and July 12 open for first-class teams. Charles Becker, 2008 Wallace street.

Fairhill A. C. has June 28, July 4 (a. m. and p. m.), 12, 19, 26, 29 and 30 open for first-class home teams. Charles Becker, 2008 Wallace street.

BIG ATHLETIC MEET FOR LEAGUE ISLAND

Sports Carnival to Feature Public Day at Navy Yard on Saturday

A gigantic meet, military, naval and athletic, is planned for "Public Day" at the League Island Navy Yard Saturday afternoon.

For the first time since Uncle Sam first shook his fist at Germany, the gates to the island will be thrown open to the public, and from noon until 6 o'clock marines and sailors will be seen in competition.

A nominal admission fee will be charged and all the proceeds will be turned over to the Navy Relief Society for the benefit of the widows and orphans of the sailors and marines who died in the service of the country.

Besides the many military and naval events on the program there will be a baseball game between sailors and marines for the championship of the yard, track and field events and crew races.

Listed also is an inter-department and service championship push ball contest in which teams composed of 100 men will be seen in action in the popular service sport.

Eight teams of twelve men each entered in the tug-of-war championship, and a long list of athletes will compete in the many field events, such as putting the shot, broad jump and high jump.

Lieutenant Juvenal also announced that there has been a number of entries in the track events, which will embrace the 100 yards and 440 yards relay race, and an 880 yards relay race. Teams of four men will compete in the relay.

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The Zions A. A. of Frankford would like to arrange games with first-class home teams on Saturday and Sunday games. W. J. White, 2333 Granite street.

The Philadelphia Electric Commercial B. C. desires games with any first-class club paying a guarantee. Joseph A. O'Brien, 1099 Chestnut street.

St. Peter C. C. has open dates for fifteen fifteen-minute traveling teams for July 28 and dates thereafter. George Dittsch, 412 West Chester street.

Pierce A. C., a fifteen-seventeen-year-old traveling team, would like to hear from teams on Saturday and Sunday games. E. H. Smith, 524 Morris street.

The Clearfield A. A. wants to hear from all first-class teams that will play Sunday, August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, and September 7, 14, 21, 28. J. Fox, 3415 West Lippincott street.

The Schuette A. A., a first-class traveling team, has June 28, July 4 (a. m. and p. m.), 12, 19, 26, 29 and 30 open for teams paying a guarantee. Herbert Barock, 1227 North Warnock street.

Three Records Broken in the Major Leagues

The Yankees' five home runs in yesterday's game were a season's record, but there were others.

Ed Garrity, the Washington catcher, made two home runs, two two-baggers and a single in five times up against the Red Sox.

"Happy" Felsch caught eleven flies, some of them difficult chances, for the White Sox against the Indians. Hap's feat is believed to be a world's record.

ALTERNATE SPRINT ON DROME PROGRAM

Carman and Chapman to Meet in Best Two Out of Three Match Race

An alternate sprint race, the first of its kind ever booked for a track here, will be staged at the Point Breeze Velodrome Thursday night.

W. J. Coburn, of St. Louis; Harry Kaiser, of New York; Gus Lang, the Australian champion, and Willie Keller, of Boston, will be the starters.

Under the rules of the alternate sprint game, the four riders will appear three different times during the evening in one-mile heats. The winner will be decided on points. First place counts ten points, second five and third three.

The alternate sprint will be an added feature to the special match motor-paced race between Clarence Carman, former American champion, and George Chapman, the sensation of the 1910 season. Jimmy Hunter doubtless will pace Carman with Norman Anderson pacing Chapman.

JOE DEERING RESIGNS

Business Causes New York City College Coach's Retirement

New York, June 24.—The resignation of Joe Deering, College of the City of New York coach, has been accepted by the athletic authorities of the institution. Deering was mentor of the Lavender basketball and baseball teams for three years.

It is understood that the former Lavender coach threw up the reins because of pressing attention which he must give his business establishment in Washington.

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